



Commonwealth of Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet

Steven L. Beshear, Governor

Len Peters, Secretary

For Immediate Release

Contact:
Mary Jo Harrod
800-926-8111

Toyota Motor Engineering Joins KY EXCEL *Company is an environmental leader for the state*

FRANKFORT, Ky. (March 2, 2010) — Toyota Motor Engineering and Manufacturing North America, Inc. (TEMA) has joined the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection's (DEP) environmental leadership program, KY EXCEL, as a Master member, the program's highest level. KY EXCEL recognizes public, corporate and private sector organizations that act to improve Kentucky's diverse and unique environment through environmental leadership.

"The Department for Environmental Protection welcomes Toyota Motor Engineering to the KY EXCEL program," said Aaron Keatley, director of DEP's Division of Compliance Assistance. "The company is to be commended for its dedication to eliminating waste and striving to protect Kentucky's environment and creating a more sustainable site."

TEMA is Toyota's North American headquarters for manufacturing and engineering. The campus is located in Erlanger, Ky., in both Boone and Kenton counties, and has two facilities—an administrative building and an engineering lab. The total staff is comprised of approximately 1,300 employees in a number of departments, such as Accounting & Finance, Human Resources, Information Systems and Purchasing among others. In the lab, Production Engineering team members test materials and

parts related to new model production, which includes a paint booth for coating evaluations and areas for equipment evaluations.

“Being number one in the auto industry for environmental stewardship is a goal for Toyota,” said Sheena Donald, environmental specialist. “As the headquarters of Toyota’s North American operations, TEMA becoming a member of KY EXCEL will be a catalyst for achieving our environmental goals.”

The five environmental goals chosen by the Toyota Motor Engineering and Manufacturing North America, Inc. in Boone and Kenton counties are to:

- Increase recycling efforts and convert waste to energy.
- Provide preferred parking for carpoolers and hybrid vehicles, control types of refrigerants onsite and reduce shuttle usage.
- Host a treasure hunt to identify areas of the plant for energy reduction.
- Implement a Wildlife-at-Work program to encourage a more sustainable site.
- Host an Earth Day fair for team members to discuss a variety of topics, including reducing and reusing and keeping homes safe from hazardous waste.

Launched by DEP in 2006, KY EXCEL is a voluntary program open to any individual, organization, community or business to improve and protect Kentucky’s environment above and beyond the state’s environmental requirements. To learn more, visit www.KYEXCEL.ky.gov or call the Division of Compliance Assistance toll free at 800-926-8111.

##